

MERCHANDISE—DUTIES EXCEEDING ~~35~~ PER CENT.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

A tabular statement showing the articles of merchandise imported during the year ending 30th June, 1844, the duty on which exceeded 35 per cent. on the average wholesale market value.

JANUARY 24, 1845.

Read, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

January 13, 1845.

SIR: In obedience to the directions contained in the 27th section of "An act to provide revenue from imports, and to change and modify existing laws imposing duties on imports, and for other purposes," approved 30th August, 1842, I have the honor to submit to the House of Representatives of the United States the accompanying tabular statement, prepared by the Register of the Treasury, "exhibiting the articles of merchandise imported during the year ending on the 30th June, 1844, the duty on which exceeded 35 per centum on the average wholesale market value of said articles."

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. M. BIBB,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Hon. J. W. JONES,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Register's Office, January 11, 1845.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit a statement of certain articles imported during the year ending the 30th June, 1844, on which the duty, under the act of the 30th August, 1842, "exceeded 35 per cent. on the wholesale market value;" the $27\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., as charged for freight, in Blair & Rives, print.

surance, &c., and the importer's profit, is added, to constitute, with the *invoice value and duty*, an average wholesale market value; and was made on information received from the collector at New York, to whom, as also to collectors of the other principal ports, circular letters on the subject were addressed.

On some articles, the importer's profit, with the charges, may have exceeded $27\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. On such articles, the duty on the wholesale market value would be less than stated.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

T. L. SMITH.

Hon. GEO. M. BIBB,

Secretary of the Treasury.

Statement exhibiting the articles imported during the year ending on the 30th June, 1844, the duty on which exceeded 35 per cent. on the wholesale market value of such articles; prepared in conformity to the 27th section of the act of 30th August, 1842.

Articles.	Quantity.	Invoice value.	Duty per act of August, 1842.	Amount of duty.	12½ per cent. charged for freight, insurance, &c., on invoice value.	Cost, including invoice value, duty, and charges.	15 per cent. charged for importer's profit.	Wholesale market value.	Ad valorem duty on wholesale market value.
Spirits—									
Brandy - - - do	782,509	\$606,633	\$1 per gallon	\$782,509	\$75,829	\$1,464,971	\$219,745	\$1,684,716	46 2-5
From grain - - do	416,918	171,015	75 cts. per gall.	312,688	21,378	505,081	75,762	580,843	53 4-5
All other - - do	210,487	78,027	75 cts. do	157,865	9,753	245,645	36,846	282,491	55 4-5
Sugar, loaf and other refined, pounds	2,215,517	134,454	6 cts. per pound	142,931	16,807	294,192	44,178	338,370	42 4-5
Fruits—									
Dates - - - do	236,686	2,167	1 do	2,366	271	4,804	720	5,524	42 4-5
Raisins in boxes, &c. - do	8,492,456	318,142	3 do	254,773	39,767	612,682	91,902	704,584	36 1-10
Spices—									
Black pepper - - do	1,673,399	59,037	5 do	83,669	7,379	150,085	22,513	172,598	48 2-5
Red pepper - - do	40,917	2,086	10 do	4,091	261	6,438	965	7,403	55 1-5
Pimento - - do	869,986	46,765	5 do	43,499	5,845	96,109	14,415	110,524	39 3-10
Beef and pork - - do	259,354	6,312	2 do	5,187	789	12,288	1,843	14,131	36 3-6
Sulphate of barytes - - do	191,872	1,205	1½ do	2,878	150	4,233	635	4,868	59
Whiting and Paris white - - do	45,673	251	1 do	456	31	738	110	848	53 7-10
Cordage, untarred - - do	152,072	5,273	4½ do	6,843	659	12,775	1,916	14,691	46 3-5
Untarred yarn - - do	167,757	9,544	6 do	10,065	1,193	20,802	3,120	23,922	42½
Glass—									
Watch crystals - gross	1,191	3,008	\$2 per gross	2,382	376	5,766	865	6,631	35 9-10
Cut, half and exceeding, pounds	1,783	904	45 cts. per pound	802	113	1,819	272	2,091	38
Cylinder window glass—									
Not above 8 by 10 inches, sq. ft.	12,364	254	2 cts. per sq. foot	247	32	533	80	613	40
Do 10 by 12 do do	30,538	989	2½ do	763	123	1,875	281	2,156	35 2-5
Do 14 by 10 do do	19,093	772	3½ do	668	96	1,536	230	1,766	37 4-5
Do 16 by 11 do do	13,941	576	4 do	557	72	1,205	181	1,386	40

Statement of articles imported, &c.—Continued.

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Cylinder window glass—continued:									
Not above 18 by 12 inches, sq. ft.	9,846	\$452	5 cts. per sq. foot	\$492	\$56	\$1,000	\$150	\$1,150	42 4-5
Above 18 by 12 inches do	40,705	2,783	6 do	2,442	348	5,573	836	6,409	38 1-10
Crown window glass—									
Above 18 by 12 inches do	806	102	10 do	80	13	195	29	224	35 7-10
Demijohns &c. above 3 galls. No	17,022	4,548	50 cents each	8,511	568	13,627	2,044	15,671	53 4-5
Fire-arms—muskets do	12,359	17,945	\$1 50 each	18,538	2,243	38,726	5,809	44,535	41 3-5
Manufactures of iron—									
Chain cables and parts, pounds	925,497	28,775	2½ cts. per pound	23,137	3,597	55,509	8,326	63,835	36 1-5
Chains, other than cables do	1,464,698	63,168	4 do	58,587	7,896	129,651	19,447	149,098	39 1-5
Sad irons, tailor's and hatter's irons - do	26,646	852	2½ do	666	107	1,625	243	1,868	35 3-5
Hoop iron - - do	217,880	6,642	2½ do	5,447	830	12,919	1,937	14,856	36 3-5
Bar, rolled - - cwt.	757,824	1,065,582	\$1 25 per cwt.	947,280	133,198	2,146,060	321,909	2,467,969	38 3-10
Coke or culm - bushels	11,787	398	5 cts. per bushel	589	50	1,037	155	1,192	50

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
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T. L. SMITH, *Register.*